

### Holy Week Rites In Los Angeles Are Announced

An invitation to residents of this community to attend downtown Holy Week services has been extended by the Church Federation of Los Angeles, interdenominational body, it was made public yesterday by John A. Yates, president.

The pre-Easter services will be held daily during the noon hour in the Philharmonic auditorium, Fifth and Olive sts. Monday through Good Friday, March 28-30.

### Man With Beard Giving Money Away

Uncle Sam is a mighty fine river upper, according to an \$18.07 check just sent here from the treasury office in an internal revenue envelop.

The check doesn't say why it came. It doesn't say what it represents. If it's a tax refund, the taxpayer doesn't know for what year. She had \$24.89 coming from 1943 and about \$100 from what was taken out of her 1944 income.

What to do—what to do!

**HIGH PERCENTAGE**  
Ten per cent of the nation's 850,000 hospital beds are occupied by accident victims every day in the year.



**GENERAL PETROLEUM-GILMORE MERGE** . . . A. H. DeFries (above left), vice president and director of marketing for the General Petroleum Corp., and Clarence S. Beesemeyer, president of the Gilmore Oil Co., met during a meeting when the "teaming up" of the two veteran Southern California oil concerns was announced. The two oil companies will henceforth operate under the name of the General Petroleum Corp.

### Merger of G.P. And Gilmore Announced Here

The consolidation of two important west coast oil companies was announced today by C. S. Beesemeyer of Gilmore Oil Co., and A. H. DeFries, vice president of General Petroleum Corporation, at a meeting of several hundred representatives of the two companies held at the Ambassador hotel. Both companies maintain their head offices in Southern California and have very similar backgrounds of early development and growth. Operations will continue under the management of General Petroleum, west coast marketers of Mobilgas and Mobiloil. Road oil and asphalt operations will, however, be handled by a Gilmore organization.

The merging of the two organizations results in the appointment of Mark Butterworth as resident manager and J. B. Erickson, as assistant resident manager of the Southern California division, and other assignments will be announced in the near future, according to DeFries.

"We plan," he stated, "to retain all the advantages of both our combined dealer and field organization representation, that have so effectively contributed to the strength of the two companies, and through this new organization offer greater services to the motoring public and the industrial plants of the West Coast."

DeFries also announced the election of C. S. Beesemeyer and John C. Sample to the Board of Directors of General Petroleum, and the appointment of Gilmore's H. Albee and General's C. H. Watzman as assistant general sales managers, with J. Hawkins of Gilmore to act as assistant to the general sales manager.

### Lt. Worcester Former Resident, Survives Crash

Lieut. Robert N. Worcester, A. F., son of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Worcester of 2360 Paloma st., Pasadena and formerly of this city, was one of five survivors of a recent B-29 crash in Flushing Bay, N. Y.

Although suffering from a lacerated right hand and a leg injury, Lt. Worcester was able to telephone his parents to advise them of his escape. Receiving his primary education in Torrance schools, Worcester was graduated from Pasadena Junior college and the Stanford University of Engineering. His father is a veteran of World War I.

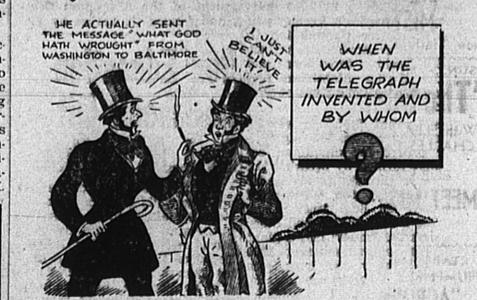


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Commander P. J. McNurlen has reported for duty as the director of naval officer procurement for the Eleventh Naval District, having recently arrived from Minneapolis where he was officer-in-charge of officer procurement for the states of Minnesota, North and South Dakota, and part of Wisconsin. Commander McNurlen replaces Rear Admiral I. C. Johnson, recently retired, and is charged with the responsibility of officer procurement for the Eleventh Naval District, as well as procurement of navy nurses and WAVES. The new director states that there is urgent need for many more navy nurses, doctors, engineers, chaplains, and other specialists. All available energy of his staff will be devoted to making it possible for more qualified persons to enter the navy as officers in order that the navy's needs will be met at once. Commander McNurlen's office is located at 411 W. Fifth st., Los Angeles, and office hours are 8:00 to 4:30 daily. All interested persons who feel they are qualified for a commission in the navy are invited to appear and submit their qualifications for evaluation.

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